REMARKS

In the Final Office Action mailed August 17, 2007, the Examiner rejected all pending claims 19-40 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over United States Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0004853 (Ram) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,598,183 (Robertson).

Applicant spoke briefly with the Examiner on October 31, 2007 to discuss the pending rejections. In particular, Applicant indicated again that the references do not teach all limitations of the pending claims, and wished to set up an in-person interview with the Examiner and a supervisor, if appropriate, in a sincere effort to advance this case to an allowance. Examiner kindly agreed to such an interview.

Applicant and Examiner also agreed that Applicant would respond to the pending claim rejections by filing the present RCE in response to the Final Office Action, including as the submission, an Information Disclosure Statement citing a reference that was identified in recent litigation for another patent (U.S. Patent Nos. 6,772,132 and 6,766,304) that is co-owned by Trading Technologies International, the current Assignee of this case. Without admitting the reference itself is prior art, Applicant wishes to have the Office consider the entire reference, including at least a particular feature disclosed, for example, on page 32 of the reference. (E.g., Looking to page 32, "[u]sing the left button of the mouse in any of the [BuyPre] ([SellPre]) column's cells with trigger several events based on the same row...it will position the mouse pointer on the Buy (Sell) button of the ODB....'). While Applicant respectfully submits that this disclosure is cumulative to the teachings already in the cited art, Applicant includes this reference in the IDS out of an abundance of caution to comply with 37 CFR 1.56. Pursuant to the discussion on October 31, 2007, the Examiner is expecting the present RCE in response to the Final Office Action to make the reference of record.

Applicant intends for the present submission and response to be fully responsive to the pending claim rejections and all outstanding objections. The present response is a bona-fide attempt to move the patent application to issuance. If Examiner believes that in the meantime further dialog would expedite consideration of the application, Examiner is invited to contact Mark Triplett at (312) 476-1151 or the undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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